

Introduction

The Cemetery of the Holy Sepulchre was created as a final resting place for the faithful departed of our parish. It is our sacred duty to preserve this resting place in perpetuity until that time when Jesus comes again to bring all of us home to be with Him.

The Cemetery of the Holy Sepulchre is part and parcel of the corporate structure of St. John the Baptist Parish, Howard, Wisconsin. The Parish Cemetery Superintendent is immediately responsible for the operation and management of the cemetery. Any questions regarding the operation of the cemetery or for arranging burials or purchasing burial rights shall be directed to the Parish office at (920) 434-2145 ext 200.

Burial rights (graves) are sold individually by a representative of the Parish. When burial rights are paid in full, the Parish office shall issue a certificate of easement.

The Cemetery of the Holy Sepulchre is open for visitation from dawn to dusk. No person shall enter the cemetery after dark.

Decorations Rules, Regulations & Restrictions

The rules and regulations set forth have been in existence for years. They are there to ensure the ability of our staff to effectively, efficiently and safely maintain the grounds. We appreciate your assistance in keeping the grounds neat, clean and uncluttered by understanding and following these rules.

Shrubs and Trees

Any in ground planting of shrubs or trees is not permitted.

Flower Urns

1. All urns must be pre-authorized by the cemetery superintendent.
2. No more than two urns may be placed on a lot.
3. No in ground planting of flowers. Floral arrangements must be in an urn.
4. Any urn must be placed in line with the main monument, no matter where on the lot the flower recipient rests.

5. All new or replacement urns are to be of a durable material such as steel or concrete. The three favorable styles are the metal "spike" urn, the Grecian style concrete, or a shepherd hook and must be in line with the main monument.
6. Non allowed types are as follows: rectangular metal box, plastic, wood, ceramic, clay pots, jars, cans and decorative containers.
7. No in ground cut flower or stick type flower vases allowed.

Miscellaneous

1. No candles, unauthorized statuary, or vigil lights.
2. Glass or Containers are not permitted for either fresh or silk flower arrangements or for any other purpose at the cemetery.
3. Toys, foil balloons, garden sculptures, stuffed animals, plastic fencing, prayer books, Rosaries, framed pictures and other similar objects are not allowed.
4. Artificial decorations are allowed and must be in line with the main monument.

Spring and Fall Clean-Up

Spring clean-up begins around April 1st. Please have all winter decorations removed by this time. Fall clean up begins October 1st. Please have all summer decorations removed by this time.

Monument Regulations

Only ONE upright monument or “above ground” memorial is allowed per lot. Any additional memorials must be flush. This rule applies to lots even where above ground foot markers previously exist. NO EXCEPTIONS.

If you have any questions about Monuments, Flush Markers and Foundations, please contact:

Lynn McKean
920-434-2145 ext. 200

The overriding rule for removal of a memorial display will be safety for visitors and staff alike.

If you find that an item you placed is missing, please contact the office. If it was deemed a safety issue the cemetery will keep the item until the following clean-up date.

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